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Could Do Better.

Harold had received his first fivedollar bill. He was told that it was to be deposited in the bank, and the details were explained to him. Harold accompanied his mother to the bank, and when ready the book was handed to him. He looked at it a moment. and then throwing the book across the room exclaimed:

"Such a small book for five dollars! Why, I can get a bigger one than that for five cents."-N. Y. Times.

Poor Pass.

"I didn't know until last night," sald Mrs. Gayman, "that you were so thoughtful and considerate of PLACED DUTY BEFORE WORK. dumb animals."

"That so?" said Gayman, cautiously mindful of his condition upon returning home from the club.

"Yes," continued his wife, with a twinkle in her eye, "this morning in phia Press.

A Prophecy. Phrenologist-Madam, I think I born to be hung.

Fond Parent (grinning)-Indade, his body.

Phrenologist-No, I do not think he that he lives in this state, I think it a good meal he was asked where a mesprobable that he will be electrocuted. sage would reach him. He gave an ad--Brooklyn Life,

In Search of Knowledge. Father-Hallon! where did you get all those toys?

Son-I bought 'em with the money you gave me.

"But I gave you that money to teach you how to save."

"Yes, pa; I kept it for three weeks until I learned all about saving, and for you. We need a man to clean our now I'm learning how to shop."-Tit- school house and keep it in order."

On the Owl Car.

Dolly-Gracious! Why does Mrs. de Styles always refer to Mr. de Styles as to-morrow do?" her "late husband," when everyone knows her husband is alive?

Polly-The reason she calls him her late husband is because of the late Variation in Spelling the City's Name bours he wanders home in the morning .- Baltimore Herald,

Her Animus. Mrs. Peeksly (to church usher)-Give me a seat in pew number 60, please.

Mrs, Peeksly (to herself)-Mrs. Gorgus sits in number 59, and I want to be back of her so I shall not have to look around to see her hat.-Brooklyn

Understands Himself. The Minister's wife-I'm afraid Mr. Skinflint does not realize that the Lord loves a cheerful giver.

The Minister-Oh, I don't know. The less he gives the more cheer-

Passing Bellef.

Maj. Burbon-I really don't know. suh, how old this whisky is; had it in mah cellah for 20 yeahs, but-Col. Kalntuck-Mah land, majah, how did that happen, suh; did yo' mislay it?-Philadelphia Press,

Ineffectual.

"He's a wonderful mathematician." string of figures as long as your arm, but he can't put a dellar mark in front of them."-Washington Star.

It Distressed Her. "I let him hold my hand last evening," she told her dearest friend. "Well 7"

"Well," she said, with a regretful sigh, "he was satisfied with that."-Chicago Post.

Men Tenchers Senree. The number of men employed at teachers in the public schools of this country is slowly but steadily decreasing. According to William T. Harris, United States commissioner of education, the percentage of male teachers in the public schools in 1870 was 41 per cent. In 1900 the percentage was only 29. The reasons for this decrease are easily found. The work does not offer | as great inducements to men as it once did. Teachers in secondary schools are now required to be specialists, and the salaries are not enough to attract men to make a life career in this field. Women in increasing numbers have gradually taken their places. In point of training they are as well fitted for bouilleur de eru often pays his workthe work, and in point of temperament better adapted to handle chit land in terms of alcohol.

Slaughter of Birds. pipers, are reported to have been Francisco by rail direct as it does via killed recently on the North Caroline London, the Suez canal, Hong-Kong coast for millinery purposes.

#### STICKS TO OLD CUSTOMS.

The Supreme Court of the United States Is Wedded to Ito Traditions.

The supreme court of the United States does business on an antiquated plan. While it undoubtedly is the most lignified body of men in this country, if not in the world, it has its peculiarities, and they are striking ones, says the Indianapolis Sentinel. One of the traditions of the court prevents newshe sessions of the court in their professional espacity. Provision is made for a representative of each of the great press associations, but the correspondents have to push and crowd in behind the rear railing with the hundreds of other spectators. Usually they have to stand up, and if they are seen taking notes an attendant escorts them to the door. The result'is that the 200 or more correspondents have to depend on their memory for their reports of proceedings in the supreme

courtroon There is another custom of the court which prevents correspondents from seeing the opinions handed down until they have secured authority from the judges who severally deliver them from the bench. This authority is not always given, the judge exercising his ten million people; in all things pre- state governments. own discretion about it. Not infrequently the correspondent has to go their final destiny. to the home of the judge to get the written authority, and perhaps by the time he gets back to the capitol the of-

Man in Need of Employment Refused Job to March with the Unemployed.

A London preacher had an interestyour sleep you continually cried: ing experience not long ago with a hun-Don't forget the kitty."-Philadel- gry man. The mendicant explained behalf of industrial education for the see that his Philosophy is based on sudden fall in temperature produced that he had found it absolutely impossible to get work. He had applied everywhere, always to be turned away, and at last nothing remained for him can assure you that this boy is not but to beg from door to door for the

The clergyman's heart was filled with pity. The poor man seemed to be will ever be hung. In view of the fact honest, and after being furnished with dress and went away.

Then the preacher sat down to think the matter over. He knew of no work that he could find for the man, but he decided to invent a job.

Accordingly the next day the preacher sent a message to the luckless man,

"Come at once. I have a position He received an immediate reply as follows:

"Sorry I can't come. I have to march with the unemployed to-day Would

## PITTSBURG WITHOUT THE "H."

Is Often Pussling to Railway Men.

Is it Pittsburg or Pittsburgh, anyway? Of 23 companies indexed in the official guide with the names of that city forming a part of their title, five say "burg" and 18 say "burgh." The sitches, or old-stylers, appear to have it, supposing the official guide to be as inerrant as usual, says the Railway Age. The city papers differ, the majority aspiring to the aspirate-to its title to say Gee! But referring again to the guide, it appears that 16 cities named in railway titles, which have the disputed final syllable, those fully he gives it .- Town and Country. beginning with New, Pratts and Middle call themselves burghs, where Fitch, Blooms, Rose, Flemings, Gettys, Harris, Ham, Lords, Ogden, Stras, Philips, Vick and Waynes are plain burgs-13 against three. So the Gees appear to have it here. But aggregating the Pitts and other burgs and burghs in the 39 railway titles examined it is found that the burghs have a majority of three. Nevertheless the "Yes," answered Mr. Cumrox; "but Rallway Age votes for the commonwhat's the use? He can think up a sense burg, and demurs to wasting paper and ink on the superfluous h.

## MOONSHINERS OF FRANCE.

Hundreds of Thousands of Families Distill Liquers for Household Consumption.

The recent agitation of the bouilleurs de eru, or private distillers, of France, against the proposals of M. Rouvier, the minister of finance, to tax their franchise has disclosed the immense power of this vested interest among the peasantry. It is estimated that no fewer than 1,000,000 to 1,800,000 families avail themselves of the privilege to distill from the pears, apples, damsons and cherries of their orchards spirituous liquors for household consumption, says a London paper. But as every hectoliter of nonexempt liquor -worth, perhaps, some \$10-is taxed to the tune of \$64, there is every inducement to the enterprising peasant to distill more than his household can consume, in order to do an illicit business with his neighbor, and in this way some \$30,000,000 to \$40,000,000 per apnum escapes the treasury. In the orchard land of Normandy the privately distilled liquor is, indeed, quite a recognized medium of exchange, and the men, his tailor, his butcher, and his

Righ Freight Rates. It costs almost twice as much to send Forty thousand birds, mostly sand, boxed goods from New York to San and Yokahama by steamer,

# CHISEMENT OF THE NEGRO IN THE SOUTH

taining to their material welfare and Why should Prof. Washington favor

distinct proposition.

nopularity with the whites of the south interest to protect, no country to shed "Every revised constitution through into the ranks of the anarchists, to out the Southern States has put a pre- seek revenge for the insults or wrongs are most truly free who have passed years.

mercialism that he believes in placing ten years if he possesses the least which the progressive Post-seems in the dollar beyond and above the man; desire to walk abroad or any ambition that dollars or property owned by the to be known as an American citizen, Negro will eat away all the injustice he will be forced to stand up and exupon him; that while he is endeavor- Patrick Henry, "Give me Liberty or ing to accumulate dollars and prop- Give me Death!"

In this age of commercialism when jerty he must not concern himself in it is possible to place a multi-mill- relation to his civil or Political rights ionaire at one end of the plank, and that he must submit to being deprived each year deposit gold everywhere. an honest hard-working man or woman of his citizenship or the ballot which who can scarcely earn enough money is the most powerful weapon of depaper correspondents from attending to keep the wolf from the door at the fence in the world and without it in a other end: when, people converse free country men are simply slaves or tropical waters of the Indian ocean, about billionaire trusts; monopolies or serfs; that until all the Negroes come huge combinations of wealth, which into the possession of dollars or propare constantly robbing and plundering erty, they must without one word of them by increasing the prices on all protest on their part permit men to the necessaries of Life, with as much rule or govern them whom they have ease as an ordinary individual would ro voice whatever in as listing to setake a drink of water, when it has be- lect. In the discussion of the disfrancome possible or a common thing for chising of the Negro, Prof. Washingextremely rich or arrogant men to ton, loses sight of this one undisputmuzzle or subsidize the small weekly able fact that from the President of newspapers as well as the daily Press; the United States on down to the lowit is considered the height of pre- est officer of any state, have no time sumption on the part of any Afro- to waste nor favors to bestow on no American who is unwilling to look one or on a collective number of inpon Prof. Booker T. Washington as dividuals who have no voice in the ion mixed with sulphate of quinine a god or as the infallible Leader of affairs of the national or the various slightly acidulated with sulphuric

the disfranchisement of the Negro Booker T. Washington's advocates and remain silent as to the propriety a very clear, cold evening recently at and shouters contends that no one of permiting ignorant white men to a party given in Stockholm, Sweden. fice of the clerk of the court is closed. has the moral right to criticise him exercise the right of suffarge; is it Many people were gathered in a nor his acts or his theory of the so- his devire to base the right to vote single room, which became so warm lution of the "Race Problem" unless on the color of the skin? is he of the as to be insufferable. The window they have accomplished as much as he opinion that it is much better in the sashes were found frozen and a pane has in the way of establishing and long run to permit ignorant white maintaining an industrial school. No men who enjoy this priceless fair minded person will ever attempt privilege and deprive the Negro from seen to fall to the floor in all parts to under estimate the great work per- enjoying it, simply because his skin of the room. The atmosphere was formed by Booker T. Washington, in happens to be black? does he not so saturated with moisture that the Negro; but when it comes to jeopar- false premises that no grave question a snowfall indoors. dizing the civil and the political rights has or can ever be settled in this counof the Negro in order to carry out his try until it is settled right that by pet theory respecting the settlement alopting his theory of disfranchiseing large egg is connected by a narrow. food that was necessary to keep life in of this momentous or far reaching the Negro is only a temporary make neck to a small egg, both parts being question that is an entriely different or shift which will not permanently settle anything, and if the Negro is to be has a yolk. Another elongated egg It does seem that if Prof. Washing- made to feel that he is an alien in a is club-shaped, while a similar one ton holds in his hands the golden strange land with no civil nor political keys which will unlock the "Race rights guaranteed to him by the Con-Problem." it would be so appearent to stitution of the United States nor by joined, has a hard shell and containall men that he would not be driven to the states wherein he resides, he will ed only albumen, with no yolk; while the necessity of waging a hurrah cam- soon cease to think that he is an Amer- a large normal-shaped egg contained paign all the time in order to keep his | ican citizen and like the Indian he will | three yolks. In one egg was a second theory before the public; for the pur- become an uncertain factor. No flag complete egg, including the shell pose of maintaining or increasing his to serve, no home to call his own. No and with the monied class of the North his blood for and manifest his loyalty at the expense of the Negro, Prof. and undying devotion. The result must Washington, recently declared that inevitably be that he will be drawn mium upon intelligence, ownership of which have been showered upon him property thrift and character; those for the past two hundred and fifty

through the greatest discipline." In Verily do we honestly believe deep this wonderful flight of eloquence on down in the bottom of our heart that the part of Booker Washington, it Prof. Booker T. Washington is enplainly indicates that he is in favor of gaged in subordinating the best interthe disfranchisement of the Negro in est of the Negro for the purpose of enthe South, for those revised constitu- abling him to successfully collect tions which he refers to were revised money with which to run his school by the Southern People with the sole that if the Negro tamely permits him- Thibet. object of curtailing and abridging the self to be disfranchised and is comcivil and the politicaal rights of the pelled to pay-taxes, and assist to fight the battles of this government which Thus it will be seen that Prof. Wash- to a great extent treats him as an ington is so full of the spirit of com- cut-cast and a criminal; in less than which is at the present time heaped claims in the language of the immortal

She Got the Money.

"Harry," she said, "I want \$100." "But, my dear," he protested, "that's searly all the cash I have on hand at the present moment, and I had planned to use it to take up a note." "Oh, well," she returned, carelessly,

"if you think the man who holds the note can make things any hotter for you than I can, why, go ahead." Thus it happened that she got the money.-Chicago Post.

May His Tribe Increase.

There is a cheerful liar that every man should love; The good he does no tongue or pen can For when you're feeling rockier than usual

he meets And greets you with, "Old man, you're looking well!" -Cincinnati Commercial Tribune,

night.

look like!

ON PLORIDA SÁNDS.



"When you came south for your health, why didn't your wife come with

"Oh! well, you see my doctor advised complete rest and quiet."--Louisville Courier-Journal.

A Vision of Biles. Rastus-Ah dreamed ob heaben las' Zeke-Am dat so? An' whut did it

"A monst'us big chicken roost in de middle ob a watermillion patch!"-San Francisco Bulletin.

Clean Gone.

He-That love affair has affected his head. She-Can it be possible?

"Oh, yes; he never used to comb his hair at all before he met her, and see how carefully it's brushed now." -Yonkers Statesman.

She Couldn't Wait. Flubdubbe-When Dashitall called upon his flancee the other evening he discovered her kissing another fellow. Pinhedde-What did he do? Flubdubbe-Apologized for being late,-N. Y. Herald.

A Subject for Debate. "You know he married Miss Mil-Hons."

"And they do not get along?" "No. They can't agree about what of the microbes.-Philadelphia Recportion of the wife's income the hus- ord. band ought to have."-Puck.

GLIMMERINGS OF WALL

Bad blood may be shown, but it is a crime to spill it. Men who stop to count the cost are slow to propose.

It is better to be handsome in deed than in photograph. Much optimistic talk is used as a cover for perplexity.

Every man is an idiot who pursues his own way in apite of us. It seems impossible to train

young idea without using a stick. The advantage of the smile cultiCURIOUS BITS OF SCIENCE.

Ivy growing on a house, so far from making the house damp, as is usually supposed, actually extracts all moisture from the walls.

That meteors contain gold has been demonstrated before the Royal Soclety, New South Wales. This suggests that the thousands of tons of meteoric dust which fall upon the earth

The milky sea, as it is known to mariners, is not yet fully understood. It seems to be most common in the and is described as weird, ghastly awe-inspiring, and as giving the observer on shipboard the sensation of passing through a sort of luminous fog in which sea and sky seemed to join and all sense of distance is lost. The phenomenon is probably due to some form of phosphorescence.

Non-actinic white light, first made known by a French photographer some years ago, is produced by filtering sunlight through a colorless solution of three parts of nickel chloride and one part of cobalt chloride, ultraviolet rays being absorbed by conting the containing vessel with collodacid. Sensitive paper has been exposed to this filtered white light for a week without change.

There was an indoor snowstorm on of glass was smashed out. A coldair current rushed in, and at the same instant flakes of snow were

Many strange forms of the hen's egg have been collected by Clement L. Webster. In one an elongated soft-shelled, while only the smaller has the small end bent up like that of the crookt neck gourd. A triple egg, consisting of three distinct eggs

#### IN ASIA.

Neither Hindus nor Japanese will ever willingly sleep with their heads to the north.

Very stringent laws have been enacted in Japan in regard to secret proprietary medicines.

The natives of India never allow a fakir-of whom there are three million who live by begging-to starve.

production. It grows over 160,000,000 pounds, against India's 195,000,000 350 square miles have been added to the British empire by the rectification

of the frontier between India and Tigers did as much damage as usual

in India last year, killing 943 persons. Over 17,200 wild beasts were destroyed for which bounties were paid of 104.-000 rupees. A curious railway accident is report-

ed from India by Cosmos. About twe kilometers (1 1-4 miles) from Rampore Hat, says the journal, "a train comgosed of an engine, 13 passenger cars and three others cars, was seized and overturned by a tornado. The phenomnon was absolutely local, since nothing was noticed at the station just left by the train, and except for the upsetting of a few native huts, there appears to have been no other damage done. The number of the wounded is not exactly known, for the Hindu passengers fled panic-stricken in an instant. Thirteen persons were killed and 15 wounded are known. Some of the cars were turned end for end, indicating a whirlwind."

## QUAKER PHILOSOPHY.

You can't measure a genius by the length of his hair.

The man who agrees with nobody things everybody else is wrong. Some people don't care what happens so long as it doesn't happen to

Women who use cosmetics don't believe the devil is as bad as he is painted. tifully that I want to give you achance to do it all over again."-N. Y. Jour-

A whitewashed reputation doesn't endure any longer than a whitewash- nal. ed fence. The most polite people in the

world are those who have gold bricks to sell you. When a fellow has money to burn he may do it because he is afraid

WHAT THE SPORTS SAY.

St. Paul and Minneapolis, with twin friendliness, are quarreling again, this time over the state bowling champion-

Sandow, the strong man, is reported as taking great interest in the traction question in Philadelphia, He has an automobile.

Just now Oxford and Cambridge and Yale and Harvard diplomats are endeavoring to decide, without a serious breach in international athletic relations, and at 31 cents per word, which alde shall send a challenge for a track vated by women is that it does not meet at London next July. Wouldn't interfere with digestion.—Slonz City that, asks the Chicago Tribune, sepasate the buttons from your waistenat?

Not What He Wanted to Say, Miss Clara Winterbloom-Mamma, this is Mr. Tutter. I want to introduce him to you. Do you know that he was under the Impression that I was the only daughter, and I have just been

telling him that I have two sisters. Mrs. Winterbloom-Oh, yes. You must meet Mand and Estelle, Mr. Tutter. They are both of them older than

Clara there. Young Tutter (wishing to say the right thing)-I didn't suppose it possible, Mrs. Winterbloom, that you could have any daughters older than Miss

Clara.-Tit-Bits. Unthinking Freehman. There once was a freshman named Green.

Who fell down four flights without mean-The janitor swore as he struck the ground

"Twill take all the afternoon cleaning!" -Columbia Jester.

CONSIDERATE.



"Mr. Brown made his wife promise that she wouldn't marry again." "He always was kind to his fellow men."-Chicago American.

Next Improvement. Dame Nature ought to follow now The scientific train, And not omit, before it falls, To sterilize the rain. -Puck.

And Called Him "It."

"And what did that howwid tough say to you, Reggie, after he had taken youah watch and money away?" asked Willyboy. "He added insult to wobbery," splut-

tered Reggie. "He said his motto was: 'Do it now,' and I was the only it he saw."-Cincinnati Commercial Trib-A Remembrance.

"Did he leave you anything when he went away?" they asked of the landlady's grief-stricken daughter, to whom the youth had been most de-"Yes," she sighed; "he left a board

bill."-Chicago Post. The Homely Man's Advantage. "Why is it that most of the world's

great men were homely?" "The other men wouldn't have turned in and made them great if they had been handsome enough to CRUSE jealousy."-Chicago Herald.

Elephantine.

"Yes, Jones has been awarded the contract for weighing and registering the weight of all the elephants for the new circus."

"H'm! He must be doing business on a large scale,"-Baltimore News. A Sinceure.

Bowe Heaux-I'd like to live in a place where there was no such thing as work. Wouldn't you? Hoe Beaux-Yes, and I'd like to

have the job of director of public works.-Pennsylvania Punch Bowl. Mice Sort of Comfort. -"It must be a great comfort to you to own such splendid furniture." "Comfort? There isn't but one comfortable chair in the whole lot, and

my wife invariably wants to sit in that."-Tit-Bits.

Vivid Suggestiveness. Mrs. Slimdiet-No: I don't believe in French cooking. My idea is to have every dish suggest its chief ingredient. New Boarder-Yes; I notice this gelatine tastes like glue.-N. Y. Weekly.

A Reason for It.

Visitor at School-Whates rapt look that dear little fellow wears! Dear Little Fellow (overhearing)-Teacher just hit me over the knuckles

with a ruler, ma'am .- Princeton

Too Eloquent, "Why keep me in suspense? Why not give me an answer now?" "Oh, dear, no! You propose so beau-

III-Timed.

"You say your playing created a great deal of talk?" said the friend. "Yes," answered the planist, "but, unfortunately, it was mostly during my performance."-Washington Star.

Ris Cholce. Mother-Only good little boys go to Heaven. Bobby-Then I guess I'll be bad and

go with the rest of the family.-Brooklyn Life. Too Wasteful. "The idea of his accusing me of

making a lie out of the whole cloth." "Ridiculous! You're too economical for that."-Philadelphia Press. Matter of Form. Edith-I wish I knew how to im-

prove the shape of this gown. Ethel-Suppose you let me wear it awhile.-Cincinnati Enquirer. Quite Bight.

"Tight shoes," remarked the Observer of Events and Thingo, "have made many a woman ill of teat."-